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EXAMINER: Brenda Libby Coleman

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 30, 2006 having a shortened statutory time set to expire on November 30, 2006, please enter the following Amendments and consider the Remarks below.

"Amendments to the Specification" can be found on page 2 of this paper. "Amendments to the Claims" are represented by the listing of Claims which begin on page 3 of this paper. "Remarks" begin on page 22 of this paper.